

Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety

Mission

The Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety is responsible for reviewing coal mine accidents and fatalities and determining whether additional laws and regulations are necessary to prevent a reoccurrence of that type of accident, thereby protecting the workers of the coal industry.

Operations

The board is required by West Virginia Code to meet at least once each month. It is comprised of eight members—including the administrator, who is appointed by the Governor, and the chairman, who is appointed by the commissioner of the Bureau of Employment Programs.

Goals/Objectives

- Review and evaluate coal mine fatalities and determine if any new regulations are needed to prevent a reoccurrence of that type of fatality.
- Work closely with the regulatory agencies (U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration and West Virginia's Office of Miners' Health, Safety, and Training) to promote a safe working environment for coal miners.
- Review and evaluate new technologies in coal mining and determine if the technology promotes safety.
- Continually examine the mining laws to ensure that such laws are keeping pace with technology.
- Promote the state's coal industry without sacrificing the safety of the individual miners.
- Review site-specific mine variance requests and individual miner requests for variances when the West Virginia Code does not address the specific mining situation.

Performance Measures

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Actual 2003</u>	<u>Actual 2004</u>	<u>Estimated 2005</u>	<u>Actual 2005</u>	<u>Estimated 2006</u>	<u>Estimated 2007</u>
Mining company variance requests approved by the board	25	69	75	65	83	100
Miner metatarsal variance requests approved by the board	30	21	20	28	20	20

Expenditures

	TOTAL FTE POSITIONS 11/30/2005	ACTUALS FY 2005	BUDGETED FY 2006	REQUESTED FY 2007	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION
EXPENDITURE BY PROGRAM					
Board of Coal Mine Health & Safety	2.00	\$168,983	\$171,181	\$169,981	
Less: Reappropriated		0	0	0	
TOTAL BY PROGRAM	2.00	168,983	171,181	169,981	171,781
EXPENDITURE BY FUND					
General Fund					
FTE Positions		2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Total Personal Services		109,352	112,800	111,700	113,500
Employee Benefits		27,557	29,610	29,660	29,660
Other Expenses		32,074	28,771	28,621	28,621
Less: Reappropriated		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: General Fund		168,983	171,181	169,981	171,781
Federal Fund					
FTE Positions		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personal Services		0	0	0	0
Employee Benefits		0	0	0	0
Other Expenses		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Federal Fund		0	0	0	0
Appropriated Special Fund					
FTE Positions		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personal Services		0	0	0	0
Employee Benefits		0	0	0	0
Other Expenses		0	0	0	0
Less: Reappropriated		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Appropriated Special Fund		0	0	0	0
Nonappropriated Special Fund					
FTE Positions		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personal Services		0	0	0	0
Employee Benefits		0	0	0	0
Other Expenses		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Nonappropriated Special Fund		0	0	0	0
TOTAL FTE POSITIONS BY FUND	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES BY FUND		\$168,983	\$171,181	\$169,981	\$171,781